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TAGS: ENRG OECD EEC UK

SUBJECT: CIEC COMMISSIONS: UK STAFFING ON EC
DELEGATIONS

REF: LONDON 1112; EC BRUSSELS 582; STATE 9962

1. HMG WILL BE REPRESENTED ON EC DELEGATIONS TO FOUR
CIEC COMMISSIONS BY SENIOR CIVIL SERVANTS LISTED BELOW:
ENERGY COMMISSION

GILLIAN G. BROWN, UNDER SECRETARY, COMMUNITY AND
INTERNATIONAL POLICY DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
ASSISTED BY: STEPHEN L. EGERTON, HEAD, ENERGY DEPART-
MENT, FCO.

RAW MATERIALS COMMISSION
SIDNEY ABRAMSMN, UNDER SECRETARY, COMMERCIAL RELATIONS
AND EXPORTS DIVISION I, DEPARTMENT OF TRADE
ASSISTED BY: JOHN INGRAM, ASSISTANT SECRETARY,
COMMERCIAL RELATIONS AND EXPORTS DIVISION I, DEPARTMENT
OF TRADE

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

JOHN C. M. MASON, ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY, FCO;
RESPONSIBLE FMR FINANCIAL RELATIONS DEPARTMENT AND TRADE
RELATIONS AND EXPORT DEPARTMENT
ASSISTED BY: IAN BUIST, UNDER SECRETARY, INTERNATIONAL
DIVISION, OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY
FINANCE COMMISSION
JOHN F. SLATEP, ASSISTANT SECRETARY, OVERSEAS FINANCE-
DEVELOPMENT, HM TREASURY.

2. BIOGRAPHIC DATA WHICH FOLLOWS WILL ALSO INCLUDE
LEONARD WILLIAMS, NEWLY APPOINTED EC COMMISSION DIRECTOR
GENERAL FOR ENERGY:

GILLIAN G. BROWN, CMG
SECONDED TO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AS UNDER SECRETARY,
COMMUNITY AND INTERNATIONAL POLICY DIVISION
BORN 10 AUGUST 1923
1944 FOREIGN OFFICE
1952 SECOND SECRETARY, BUDAPEST
1954 FOREIGN OFFICE (FIRST SECRETARY 1956)
1959 WASHINGTON
1962 UK DELEGATION OECD PARIS
1965 FOREIGN OFFICE (COUNSELLOR 1965)
1967 HEAD OF GENERAL DEPARTMENT, FOREIGN OFFICE
1968 HEAD OF AVIATION, MARINE AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS
DEPARTMENT, FCO
1970 HEAD OF MARINE AND TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT, FCO
1970 COUNSELLOR AND HEAD OF CHANCERY, BERNE
1975 SECONDED TO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

STEPHEN LOFTUQ EGERTON
HEAD, ENERGY DEPARTMENT, FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE
BORN 21 JULY 1932
1951-53 H.M. FORCES
1956 FOREIGN OFFICE
1957 M.E.C.A.S.
1958 POLITICAL OFFICER, KUWAIT
1961 FOREIGN OFFICE
1961-62 PRIVATE SECRETARY TO PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-
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1963 FIRST SECRETARY (ORIENTAL) AND
1966 HEAD OF CHANCERY, BAGHDAD
1967 NEW YORK (UKMIS)
1970 FIRST SECRETARY FCO
1972 FIRST SECRETARY AND HEAD OF CHANCERY, TRIPOLI
1973 FCO

SIDNEY ABRAMSON

UNDER SECRETARY' COMMERCIAL RELATIONS AND EXPORTS
DIVISION I, DEPARTMENT OF TRADE
BORN 14 SEPTEMBER 1921
OXFORD MA
1948-50 CABINET OFFICE
1950-63 BOARD OF TRADE (INCLUDING DELEGATIONS TO OEEC
FROM 1957-1960 AND TO EFTA FROM 1960-1962)
1963-65 GATT SECRETARIAT, GENEVA

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1965 ET SEQ BOARD OF TRADE (LATER DEPARTMENT OF TRADE
AND INDUSTRY; NOW DEPARTMENT OF TRADE)

JOHN INGRAM
ASSISTANT SECRETARY, COMMERCIAL RELATIONS AND EXPORTS
DIVISION I, DEPARTMENT OF TRADE
BORN OCTOBER 1929
1951 JOINED THE BOARD OF TRADE AND LATER JOINED THE

TRADE COMMISSION SERVICE, SERVING IN PAKISTAN AND CANADA.

BETWEEN HIS PERIODS OF OVERSEAS SERVICE HE WAS CONCERNED WITH THE 1962 EEC NEGOTIATIONS. HE WAS ALSO CONCERNED WITH PREPARATIONS FOR THE ABORTIVE 1967 EEA NEGOTIATIONS AND FOR THE 1971-72 NEGOTIATIONS.

IN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE HE IS CONCERNED WITH RAW MATERIALS AND COMMERCIAL AND POLITICAL ASPECTS

/ OF DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION.

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J/OHN C. M. MASON

ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY, FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE

BORN 13 MAY 1927

1944-48 HM FMRCS

1950-51 HM FMRCS

1952 FOREIGN OFFICE

1954 THIRD SECRETARY, ROME

1956 SECOND SECRETARY, WARSAW

1959 FOREIGN OFFICE

1962 FIRST SECRETARY (COMMERCIAL) DAMASCUS

1965 FOREIGN OFFICE (COUNSELOR 1968)

1968 DIRECTOR OF TRADE DEVELOPMENT AND DEPUTY CONSUL GENERAL, NEW YORK

1971 HEAD OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION DEPARTMENT FCO,
HEAD OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION (I) FCO

1972 UNDEP SECRETARY, EXPORT CREDITS GUARANTEE
DEPARTMENT

1975 ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY, FOREIGN AND COMMON-
WEALTH OFFICE WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL
RELATIONS DEPARTMENT AND TRADE RELATIONS AND
EXPORT DEPARTMENT

J.F.L. (IAN) UIST

UNDER SECRETARY, INTERNATIONAL DIVISION, OVERSEAS
DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY

BORN 3 MAY 1930

1952 EAST AFRICA DIVISION, COLONIAL OFFICE

1962 FIRST SECRETARY (TECHNICAL COOPERATION), DAR-ES-
SALAAM, WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL EAST AFRICA

1964 CONSULTANT TO EAST AFRICAN COMMON SERVICES ORGANI-
ZATION AND PERSONAL ASSISTANT TO CHAIRMAN, NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE FOR THE FOUNDATION OF THE EAST AFRICA COMMUNITY (EAC)

1967 HEAD EAC NEGOTIATION WITH SURROUNDING COUNTRIES

1969 ASSISTANT SECRETARY, ODM, AND HEAD INTERNATIONAL
AND EUROPEAN DEPARTMENT

1973 ASSISTANT SECRETARY, SOUTH ASIA DEPARTMENT, ODM
1976 UNDER SECRETARY, INTERNATIONAL DIVISION, ODM

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JOHN F. SLATER, CMG
ASSISTANT SECPTARY, OIL AND OVERSEAS SERVICES DIVISION,
HM TREASURY
BORN 3 JULY 1924
OXFORD .A.
WAS A FMRMER MEMBER OF HM DIPLOMATIC SERVICE,
SERVING IN BURMA AND SWITZERLAND.
WAS INVOLVED IN THE 1962 EEC NEGOTIATIONS.
1962 TRANSFERRED TO HM TREASURY.
HAS RECENTLY HANDLED THE EURO-ARAB DIALOGUE
WITHIN THE TREASURY.

LEONARD WILLIAMS
EC COMMISSION DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR ENERGY
BORN 19 SEPTEMBER 1919
1938 INLAND PEVENUE
1940-47 ROYAL ARTILLERY (MAJOR)
1948 MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
1949 MOD, PRINCIPAL
1951-54 NATO

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1954 MINISTRY OF SUPPLY (LATER AVIATION)

1959 ASSISTANT SECRETARY

1964 MINISTRY OF TECHNOLOGY (LATER DEPARTMENT OF TRADE
AND INDUSTRY)

1966 IDC

1967 UNDER SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY

1973 DEPUTY SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

1976 EC COMMISSION, DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR ENERGY

3. COMMENTS:

A GILLIAN BROWN IS WELL KNOWN TO US OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR IEA AND CIEC ENERGY AFFAIRS. SHE IS AN UNASSUMING BUT QUIETLY EFFECTIVE CAREER DIPLOMAT ON SECONDMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY. SHE IS AT HER BEST IN MASTERING COMPLEX AND TECHNICAL SUBJECT MATTER.

B) STEPHEN EGERTON IS BOTH COMMUNICATIVE AND OPINIONATED; NOT LEAQT ABOUT THE EC, ITS BUREAUCRACY AND POLI-CONFIDENTIAL

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CIES TOWARD WHICH HE IS ESSENTIALLY ANTAGONISTIC. HIS ARABIST BACKGROUND AND UN EXPERIENCE HELP MAKE HIS PRONOUNCEMENTS ON OIL PRODUCER STATE AND LDC PROBLEMS AND TACTICS QUITE INCISIVE.

C) SIDNEY ABPAMSON IS A QUIET, RATHER INTROVERTED INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS DEALT MORE WITH GENERAL TRADE THAN COMMODITY MATTERS IN RECENT YEARS.

D) JOHN INGRAM HAS HAD EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE WITH COMMODITY PROBLEMS. HE HAS PROVED AMIABLE AND APPROACHABLE IN HIS CONTACTS WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS.

E) JOHN MASON IS A HIGHLY CAPABLE, SEASONED DIPLOMAT WITH BROAD ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL EXPERTISE. AS OVERALL FCO COORDINATOR ON CIEC, HE IS GENERALLY IN ACCORD WITH US APPROACH. HE IS NONETHELESS APT TO ARTICULATE HIS

DISSENT FORCEFULLY ON SPECIFIC ISSUES. HE COULD PROVE TO BE AN EXCELLENT SOUNDING BOARD AS WELL AS INFLUENTIAL FIGURE WITHIN EC DELEGATION.

F) IAN BUIST IS ONE OF EMBASSY'S CLOSEST AND MOST FORTH-COMING CONTACTS IN ODM. INTELLECTUALLY INQUISITIVE, BUIST IS CONSIDERED BY ODM COLLEAGUES AS ONE OF CIVIL SERVANTS MOST COMMITTED TO DEVELOPMENT. WITHOUT IMPLYING POLITICAL LEANINGS, HE DESCRIBES HIMSELF AS A "NEO-COLONIALIST MEDDLER BY INSTINCT." WHILE DIPLOMATS CONJECTURE HOW BEST TO SOLVE DEVELOPMENT ISSUES, BUIST'S INSTINCT IS TO DO SOMETHING ON ASSUMPTION WHAT IS NEEDED IS ACTION RATHER THAN WORDS.

G) JOHN SLATER IS AN EXPERIENCED OLD HAND WITH SUBSTANTIAL BACKGROUND IN MIDDLE EAST AFFAIRS. HE IS GENERALLY FRIENDLY AND HELPFUL.

H) LEONARD WILLIAMS PLAYED A PROMINENT, GENERALLY HELPFUL ROLE AS SENIOR UK REPRESENTATIVE ON THE IEA GOVERNING BOARD FROM ITS INCEPTION UNTIL JANUARY 1976. HIS SMOFT-SPOKEN, SOMETIMES ACERBIC MANNER AS WELL AS HIS VIEWS ON ENERGY POLICY PROBLEMS ARE WELL KNOWN TO US OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR IEA AND CIEC ENERGY MATTERS. CONFIDENTIAL

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DURING HIS TENURE AS DEPUTY SECRETARY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, HE WAS A HIGHLY CAPABLE SUPERVISOR OF COMMUNITY AND INTERNATIONAL ENERGY POLICY, ENERGY TECHNOLOGY, ENERGY ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS DIVISIONS. AS UNDER SECRETARY UNTIL 1974 IN CHARGE OF NORTH SEA OIL POLICY AND PRODUCTION, HE EARNED AN EXCELLENT REPUTATION WITHIN HMG AND OIL INDUSTRY CIRCLES FOR HIS UNEMOTIONAL, CAREFULLY REASONED APPROACH TO OFFSHORE PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT ISSUES.

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